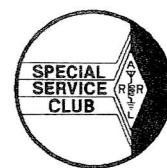




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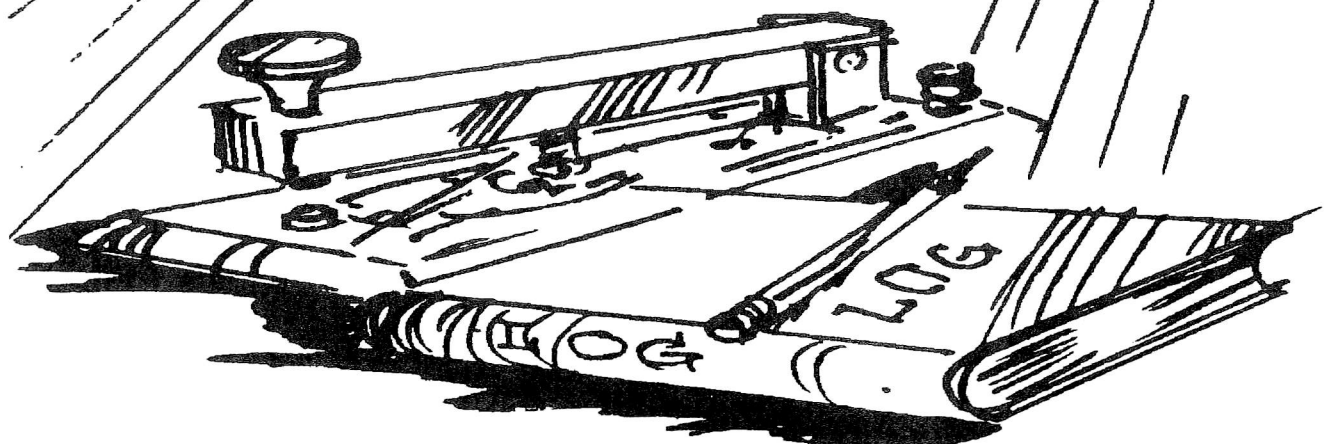
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**W3IIM**

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**Sunday morning 2 Meter Net at 09:30 — 147.030 Mhz FM**

**Sunday morning “10-on-10” Net at 10:00 —28.393 Mhz SSB (+ or - for QRM)**

**Sunday morning 75 meter Net at 10:20 — 3.993 MHzSSB**

## 190th Monthly Phil-Mont VE Test Session Statistics for September 2001

ONE (1) candidate took one (1) element. We had one (1) upgrade.

The VE team was chaired by Dusty Rhoads (ND3Q).

Members are: Jim McCloskey, NS3K; Carol Hutkin, K2BL; and Jeff Kerber, N3VE; Bob Freer, W3YLT and Margaret Stephenieller, K3XS and Gwendolyn Patton, NG3P.

Exam Dates for the year 2001:

October, 4; November, 1; December, 6;  
January 3, 2002

## VE Examination Sites

Confirm all information, in advance, with the contact person. Licensed applicants must bring the original, and one photocopy of their license. All applicants, including children, must show two other types of ID. Bring the original, and a copy of any Certificate of Successful Completion needed to prove current status. The ARRL VEC's 2001 test fee is \$10.00.

### THE FRANKLIN INSTITUTE

Monthly, 1st Thursday — Dusty Rhoads, ND3Q. 215-879-0505, day. 215-448-1139 24-hours. Doors open at 6PM and close sharply at 6:30 PM.

### BELLMAWR, NEW JERSEY

Diane Nafis, 856-227-6281. Testing is the third Thursday of the month at 6:30 PM. They meet at the Bellmawr Municipal Complex, Browning Rd. and Lewis Ave., one block off Black Horse Pike, Route 168.

### BRISTOL, PA

George LeNoir, 215-943-4886

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David L. Heller, 2125-946-1040

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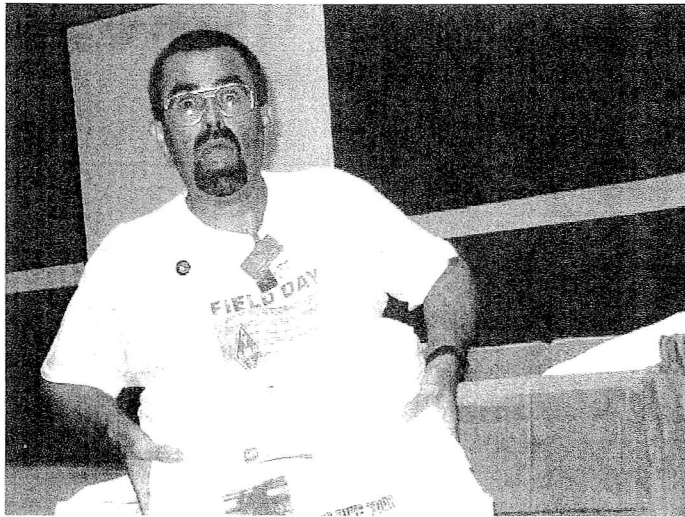
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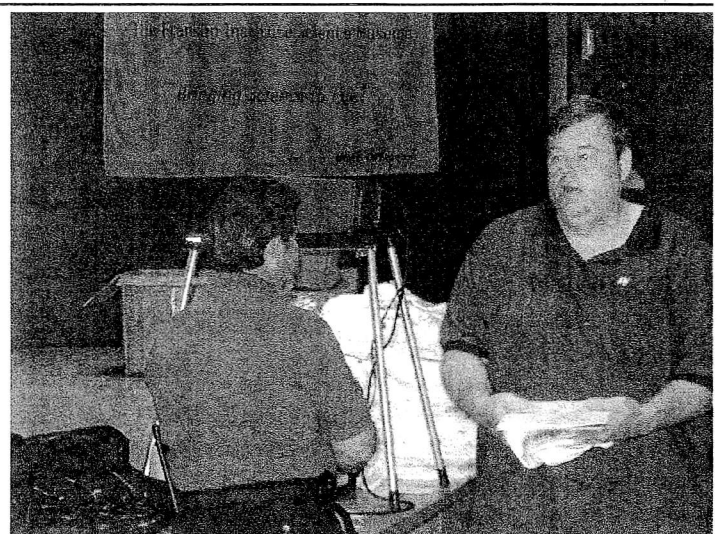
Tom Michaud, WA3TQJ, 215-343-3494

### WILMINGTON, DE

Giselle Wells, 302-478-2757



Steve, WU3I passing out Tee shirts for the MS 150



Russ, W3CH passing out Tee shirts for the MS 150

## Claude H Haring, Jr.

Claude H. Haring Jr. was born May 2, 1934 in Allentown, PA and was raised in Havertown with his two sisters Bunny and Linda and one brother Curt. Claude was better known to friends as Jack, but to his family he was Father-Father.

Jack graduated from Fork Union Military Academy, (FUMA), with the rank of 1\* Sergeant in 1952. During his years at FUMA he played the organ at the FUMA Chapel and the Fork Union Baptist Church. Jack also played the trombone in the FUMA band and sang in the Glee Club.

After graduation Jack's love of music and particularly the organ continued. He was an organist and choir director at various churches in PA and NY for over 20 years. When he wasn't playing the organ, he was getting married, having children, working for IBM and finally with his partner Joe Collier, building and owning their own computer business. Jack was President and CEO of CHMC and Vice-President of CHSC for over 25 years.

Jack was also an amateur radio operator (W3IIM) for over 40 years. He belonged to Philmont Mobile Radio Club and served in various positions with PMRC during his lifetime.

Most of all, Jack loved the water. He was an avid boater and loved anything that had to do with boats and water. If there was a gadget made he could use on Whoopewagon, his 23' Parker boat, he would have it and know just how to use it. After selling the businesses and retiring

three years ago, Jack and Jinny realized one of his dreams and embarked on a once in a lifetime cruise around the world on the QE2. Armed with his computer (of course) a plethora of discs, his digital camera and yes, his GPS, (global positioning system), they were off. Three months later he guided the ship safely into New York Harbor. Sadly, the family still hasn't made it through all the amazing digital pictures he took.

During Jack's life he was quietly passionate about many things. Most important were his wife of 46 years, Jinny, and their two children Kent and Donna and their families. Let us not forget his faithful companion Liesel. He was immensely proud of his three granddaughters Nicole, who gave him the name Father-Father, Tayler and Logan.

Jack served on the Board of Governors for the Useppa Fire Company, was a lifetime member of the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum and feverishly supported the efforts to restore the Atlantic City Convention Hall Organ. In tribute to Jack, his close friend Ray George Jr. wrote: "When Jack was diagnosed with cancer this year he showed everyone the meaning of the words dignity and class. He never complained but set about the business of life. Jack had a sense of humor that those who knew him thoroughly enjoyed. The worth of an individual is what they do in their lives and I can tell you that whatever Jack did, he always left it better than it was when he got there. We are all better by having known

Jack Haring. We all love you Jack and will miss you very much.

Another friend 'UseppaGin' Ginny Amsler wrote: 'Around 4:00 every afternoon on Useppa, Jack Haring got ready to walk down to the office to get the mail and newspapers. The private man and the dog, who looked so serious away from home, were all warmth and love inside. Jack was a bright man who laughed and teased his family and friends, listened with a smile or compassion. He was a gentleman and he wanted the rest of us to be our civilized best as well. The way he lived his life was the way he ran his boat. He was methodical and precise. On Friday, Jack went to get the mail,' but he had a lot of family seeing him off. His Useppa friends were there in spirit and in fact His family surrounded him. Son, Kent with his wife, Pat and their daughter Nicole were at his side. Daughter Donna and her seven year old Tayler were with Father-Father. His brother-in-law Ed and his wife Virginia were nearby. Jinny was there as she had been for 46 years her love and arms letting him go. Four-year old Logan was in the next room playing farm. As her grandfather left, his spirit rising, her strong young voice yelled "Cock-a-doodledo!" Bach's organ music kept us company in the room Jack was well loved but his gift was to make each of us feel the full comfort of his love in return.

**(This paper was handed out at Jack Haring's Memorial Service.)**

Good morning all: This "article" on Jack's passing is published on the web site of the Useppa Island Club. A copy of it was among the information displayed at his son's home yesterday, after the memorial service. I spoke with Jinny about the possible establishment, by Philmont, of a ham radio scholarship in Jack's memory. She was very enthusiastic, and felt it would be a most appropriate memorial, "Jack always stressed the importance of education....it would be a

living tribute to his memory." Looks like the board's approval of the scholarship idea was well timed, just two days before Jack's death....  
73, Dick, RM



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Here it is October and I still am looking for the articles on W3AA. Please get them to me in the next month. All will be submitted to QST for inclusion. There was a big article of what they want in the October QST, so no questions and no excuses. C'mon Fellas help a guy out here. All is well at the station. I am trying to find some time to check out the rotor and should in the month of October. The camp-in's should be starting soon and I will post them here and in the Back Room of W3AA when published. That's all for now See you at the general meeting.  
Steve WU3I

**Trustee: Steve Hoch, WU3I**

### The International Voice of The Franklin Institute Science Museum

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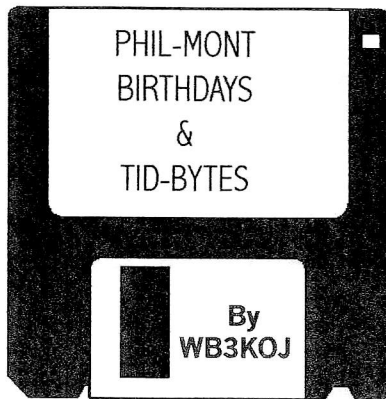
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MFJ 260 Dry Dummy Load  
15.00  
Kenwood TS-450SAT  
500.00  
Drake R8 Receiver  
400.00  
All Inquires to WU3I

## The PREZ SEZ



I would like to thank all the club members who volunteered at the MS150 Bike Tour. In the emotional fallout of the tragedies on September 11th, It felt good to do something useful with amateur radio. I sure missed seeing Jack (W3IIM) on the route. Even though the President urges us to get back to our normal routine, I feel it is a prudent time to check on your emergency amateur radio preparedness. I believe the next months will be more unpredictable than the Y2K issue. You might consider checking the antennas, some new batteries and some fresh gas for the generator. I again thank all the MS volunteers and hope to see everyone at the October 10th club meeting. DE W3AOK





**MEMBERSHIP STATS**

122 Full paid members  
14 Family members  
4 Youth  
2 Honorary members  
0 Pending members

Birthdays will reappear next month. Our fearless leader is recovering from a mild stroke and will be home this month. Drop him a note and tell him you love him.

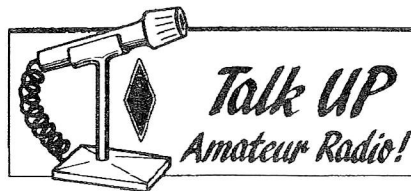
## Upcoming Public Service Events

### MS 150

September 29-30

### Brian's Run

December 2



## PUBLIC SERVICE EVENTS

Charlie Weigand, W3WF

Phone 610-323-1050

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E-mail: w3wf@aol.com

Russ Stafford, W3CH

Phone: (610)631-3401 ext. 902

Packet: w3ch@w3ch.#sepa.pa.usa.noam

## Public Service Forms Available

Public Service Forms are available on Line. Thanks to **Charlie, W3WF** and **Peter, KB3DFQ** you may download any of the following sign-up forms for the year 2001 public service events.

MS Walks

Chester County Bike Tour

MS 150 City to Shore 2001

the url is:

<http://metro-comm.2y.net>

(thanks to W3CH)



Richard, W3RM and Mike, N3MT put on a wonderful program at our last meeting . It was their DX trip.

## ARRL to Showcase Amateur Radio at Philadelphia Techfest

Amateur Radio will be on display at this year's Philadelphia Techfest, October 20-21 at the Pennsylvania Convention Center. Thanks to the efforts of Paul Sokoloff, WA3GFZ, and the ARRL, amateur radio will be showcased to approximately 20,000 people expected to attend this year's event. Techfest, sponsored by Philadelphia's television station WCAU-TV (NBC10), will be introducing an Expo unlike any other in the Delaware Valley that addresses the issues of Improving Life Through Technology. According to the NBC10 web site leading technology companies will gather to showcase products and services to consumers who are eager to more fully utilize the power of technology in and out of their homes, classrooms and offices. An NBC10 spokesperson said the "Family TechFest goal is for beginners to learn and experts to thrive." Organizing the event for the ARRL are EPA Section Manager Eric Olena, WB3FPL, ARRL Vice President, Kay Craigie, WT3P, EPA Public Information Coordinator Bob Josuweit, WA3PZO, and Atlantic Division Assistant Director Dennis Silage, K3DS. Each of these amateur radio operators bring a wide background to the forefront from teachers to magazine writer. Many have been recognized with Atlantic Division and National Awards in Technical Achievement, Public Relations, and as Ham of the Year. According to SM WB3FPL, "We're planning to introduce ham radio as a modern day hobby that will help prepare our youth for careers in our wireless world." ARRL Vice President WT3P, hopes to be able to talk to educators about using ham radio in the classroom. The goal of ARRL's education project is to "improve the quality of education for kids by providing educationally valid techniques involving Amateur Radio for teaching all sorts of subjects—science, geography, languages, speech," Craigie said. "Kids get the hobby of a lifetime and preparation for good careers—that's the ultimate goal."

Craigie said the project's philosophy is that Amateur Radio can be a "powerful resource" for teachers in attaining their educational goals—whether or not licensing is involved. "It's about improving education." Atlantic Division Assistant Director Dennis Silage, K3DS, recipient of the Atlantic Division Technical Achievement Award will be coordinating a program to allow attendees to make a contact on 10GHz. EPA Public Information Coordinator WA3PZO sees this as a way to introducing the hobby to others who are interested in hi-tech stuff as well as putting attendees in contact with local radio clubs. We'll be collecting names of people who stop by the ARRL table and letting local clubs invite the visitors to their club meetings or classes. WA3PZO stresses that "this is an important time to make sure your club's contact and web page information is up to date on the ARRL web site." Visitors will have the ARRL web page information to obtain information on local amateur radio clubs. The Pennsylvania Convention Center is located in center city Philadelphia and is easily accessible by car or public transportation. For further information on the Techfest checkout the NBC10 website [www.nbc10.com - technology](http://www.nbc10.com - technology).

## WORLD TRADE CENTER AMATEUR RADIO VOLUNTEERS BEARING UP WELL

New York Amateur Radio Emergency Service and Radio Amateur Civil Emergency Service volunteers generally are in good spirits, but tired, says New York City-Long Island Section Emergency Coordinator Tom Carrubba, KA2D. "The mood is positive," he said, more than a week into the grim reality of the World Trade Center attack response. "Overall, it's going very, very well. Everybody's settling into the routine of the operation." Two dozen or more hams per shift are covering communications and logistical support for the American Red Cross as well as supplementing communication for the New York City Office of Emergency Management. "It's a great effort every day, 24/7, and it's expanding as we get more requests." A single, multi-purpose ARES/RACES net is being maintained on the 147.000 MHz

repeater in Manhattan. New York City District Emergency Coordinator and RACES Radio Officer Charles Hargrove, N2NOV, is serving as the incident commander.

At this point, Carrubba said, the need for volunteers is being largely covered by amateurs from the Greater New York City Area—which includes New York City and Long Island, Eastern New York, Connecticut and Northern New Jersey. Hams have volunteered from all over, however, including at least eight Delaware-Lehigh Amateur Radio Club members from Pennsylvania's Lehigh Valley.

Hams are deployed to 13 American Red Cross shelters, two OEM sites, several staging areas, and Red Cross headquarters, and as net controls. At any given time, up to a half dozen amateurs are posted just outside the secure perimeter of the so-called "Ground Zero" World Trade Center site, where Carrubba described conditions as "terrible." Volunteers there have been asked to provide respirators and other protective clothing. Shifts at all locations are 12 hours long.

Carrubba explained that Amateur Radio volunteers are being rotated in and out of areas and duties in an effort to equalize the stress. "The first 30 or 40 hours everybody does 'the iron man act,' I call it, because they're running on adrenaline," he said. After that, everyone gets some rest and unwinds a little bit. "The people that are going back are fresh," he said.

Since September 11, more than 350 hams have volunteered in excess of 5000 work hours.

Carrubba anticipates the Amateur Radio support operations to continue for some time to come, since the normal telecommunications systems remain disrupted or problematic. "The communications in the shelter are being used like telephones," he said. Telephone service is available, but it can take 15 or 20 tries to get a call through. Carrubba said net traffic has been substantial, although there are occasional lulls. Many more volunteers will be needed before the ARES and RACES operation stands down "Right now our task is a long-term effort, Carrubba said. "The schedule is being filled in on a day-by-day basis." To date,

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## Secretary, Fred Rice WA3KIO



### Philmont Director's Meeting September 5, 2001

The Board Of Director's meeting was hold at the home of Sharon, N3GLU and Ed, KB3IV. Attending were Steve WU3I, KB3CYE Ted, Gene, N3XKE, Mike, N3MT, W3BBB, Jim, Dick, W3RM, Al, W3STW, Bill, W3AOK, and Rick, N3DHI. Bill called the meeting to order.

Jim, W3BBB spoke about available options for repairing the repeater. 2 options were discussed. One was to use new 7/8 hardline and new connectors. Our Sinclair antenna appears all right. New coax to be purchased through Bill, N3QMH at less than the going price. The connections to be made by Chris, K3LMC of Jenkintown. The decision was made to go with new coax and new connectors.

Rick, N3DHI reported on the condition of Jack Haring, W3IIM and said that Jack and Ginny had paid for the Philmont website through the next two years. The future of the website was discussed. Dick, W3RM will write a letter to Comcation thanking them for their annual donation made to Philmont through Jack.

Al, W3STW has completed a list of available surplus equipment from W3AA. Listed elsewhere in the blurb will be the list.

Dick W3RM and Mike N3MT proposed that Philmont exercise it's 501C status and establish a scholarship fund. The meeting was adjourned.

Thanks to Ed and Sharon for hosting the meeting and thanks to Steve WU3I for transcribing the minutes.  
de WA3KIO

### Philmont General Meeting 9-12-01

Bill, W3AOK called the meeting to order. Jim, W3BBB reported that Jack Haring W3IIM became a Silent Key Friday, September 7, 2001. A memorial service will be held.

Jim W3BBB reported on the work on the repeater antenna coax and the money spent. The 7/8 hardline will be replaced and connected up. Ed, KB3IV reported that we have two new net controls: Anthony, W2AJV for 75 meters and Matt, KB3FHF for 2 meters. All the nets are running well. Thanks to Al, W3STW for getting the CW net on Thursday night on the Philmont repeater up and running again. Don, WB3KOJ has been in the hospital and is coming along fine.

Steve, WU3I reported that some equipment from W3AA and other donations would be for sale. A listing will be in the Blurb. The meeting was adjourned and turned over to Dick W3RM and Mike N3MT for a report about their trip to Providenciales Island in the Caicos Island group. An excellent report with pictures was given. Charlie, W3WF and Russ, W3CH handed out MS150 packages to members.

de WA3KIO

#### *World Trade from page 7*

more than 200 individuals have signed up via the World Trade Center Disaster Relief Communications Web site, <<http://wtc.ab2m.net>>.

Carrubba expects that Amateur Radio assistance might be needed at least another week and possibly longer. "As long as there's a need for communications, we will be there," he said.

In the meantime, REACT International is seeking additional Amateur Radio and licensed GMRS users, primarily to support the Salvation Army's relief efforts in New York. "We still need volunteers," said REACT International Secretary Lee Besing,

N5NTG, who added that some shifts on Wednesday went unfilled. "They're burning out and having to return to their jobs," he said. REACT is now running 20 volunteers per shift. Volunteers should visit the REACT International Web site, <[http://www.reactintl.org/tragedy\\_09112001.htm](http://www.reactintl.org/tragedy_09112001.htm)> or contact Charles Bessels, <[NYCHelp@reactintl.org](mailto:NYCHelp@reactintl.org)>.

Radio Emergency Service to support the Salvation Army's disaster relief operation



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# Calendar for October 2001

1	Mon	
2	Tues	Full Moon
3	Wed	
4	Thur	Code Practice-8pm    VE exams - doors close at 6:30 PM
5	Fri	
6	Sat	
7	Sun	(2M net-WA3NSP) (75M net-W2AJV) (10M net - W3AA)
8	Mon	
9	Tues	
10	Wed	General Meeting& Board Meeting of PMRC starts at 7:30 PM at the Franklin Institute at 7PM
11	Thur	Columbus Day                      Code Practice- 8pm
12	Fri	
13	Sat	
14	Sun	(2M net -N3OWM) (75M net- WA3KIO) (10M net-W3AA)
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16	Tues	New Moon
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# Activities for October 2001

*Net Control stations should read the following announcements before asking if there are any more announcements for the Net*

**October 4— Ve test session**

**October 10 — Board meeting and General Meeting at the Franklin Institute**

Meeting will be about IRLP Internet Relay Link Project. by N3IO Vic Pinglia. The ability to talk with VHF thru the internet.

**November 7 — Board meeting at WU3I**

**November 14 — General Meeting**

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